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#### VIGNAUX, FRENCH BILLIARD PLAYER, HAS STYLISH CONTROL OF CUE.

Frank Day of St. Louis Says That the Big Parisian Never Had an Equal for Solid Play-Shaefer the Master Hand of the Game-Cure of France Plays Left Handed - Wayman McCreery, the Tather of Local Amateur Players.



DAT TRYING A THREE-CUSHION BANK.

"It occurred at the Liederkranz Ciub in New York six years ago, and the principals were Poss, Mullin and the late Wayman McCreery of St. Louis, It was a three-cornered match for the amateur championship, and as soon as it was completed the three men leaned over the table, shook hands and promised each other that they would never enter another tournament.

HOPPE THE COMING CHAMPION.

Barring, perhaps a half dozen players.

St. Louis is now the home of several of the best billiard players in this country.

De Ore and Hergan can play simest any style of billiards, and either could make it interesting for any player in the world, with the possible exception of half a dozen of the topnotchers.

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The characteristic styles of billiard and pool players formed the topic for discussion among the best cue wielders in the city at a local billiard hall yesterday. That the various players have their warm supporters was shown.

Frank Day, who has devoted much thought to the subject, favored Maurice Vignaux of France, who has for many years been the chief Parisian billiard player.

"Vignaux is wonderful in all branches of billiards," declared the champion of Missouri.

"When I may him play be made on im." Speaking of Foss and Mullin," inter-

"When I saw him play he made an impression that will always remain. He is a genius of the cue. There is a vast difference in his style and that employed by many other famous players."

year. "Speaking of Fees and Mullin." Interpreted Frank Day, "reminds me of the most dramatic incident in the history of billiards.

VIGNAUX A SOLID PLAYER.

"Any time Vignaux gets ready to shoot a coanoisseur of the game knows that he is apt to make 'he point. There is nothing sensational about him. His cool manner and long sweeping stroke lend an air of the artist to his work that goes to make his playing eagerly watched.

"One would classify his style as solid and sound, and that he is the surest player in the world, and he offers a style in direct contrast with that of Vignaux. I do not mean to say that Vignaux could beat Shaefer, but it is to make the point of the contrast in their style that I compare the two. As to ability, many claim that Shaefer is the greatest amateur fit the greatest amateur St. Louis are concerned, Wayman McCreery was the greatest amateur St. Louis ever turned out. He did more for billiards in St. Louis are concerned, Wayman McCreery was then any other player, and for years he helped to sustain St. Louis's reputation for crack amateur players.

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"But for style that is impressive Vignaux is the soundest player to-day. Billiard players will tell you that when Shaefer shoots they are not sure that he is soing to make a point until he makes one. Of course, Shaefer surprises them often by making shots that to others look impossible.

"Still, the careful, measured work of the Prenchman has the call on the American to style of the cue. Vignaux is a wonderful man physically. He wheles 20 pounds, and is well proportioned and strong. Shaefer is small and nervous, and does not seem to possess the element of personal charm that is part of the big Prench player's make-up.

"Shaefer seen about his work neatly enough and with an intensity that brings results. Still, he is not as coel or as measured a player in the solid points of the game as Vignaux."

"Other players present neculiar qualities of style." said John Horsan, "but I believe that Cure, the Partsian, is the only great billiard player that plays left.

CURE A LEFT-HANDER.

"McCreery, when he went to New York for the three-cornered match with Foss and Mullin, ass suffering from a malked which his friends claim had much to do with his losing the match. In the first game of the tournament McCreery defeated with his losing the match. In the first game of the tournament McCreery returned to his hotel, he became sick. A physician diagnosed his aliment as Bright's disease, The singlet. Cheinnat! 20 to his hotel, he became sick. A physician diagnosed his aliment as Bright's disease, The singlet. Cheinnat! As showing that was expected.

"Perhaps the most touching tribute ever paid by an admirer to his field was showered on McCreery. Johnny LaCari, a billiard devotee, when McCreery died to his hotel, he became sick. A physician diagnosed his aliment as Bright's disease, the lishment was to have been the first game of the tournament McCreery returned to his hotel, he became sick. A physician diagnosed his aliment as Bright's disease, the lishment was to have been to his hotel, he became sick. A physician diagnosed his

"Cure." continued Horgan, "is one of the world's foremost billiard players. He is right there with Schaefer, Vignaux and Butten, and a tournament between the four would be of great interest. "Like nearly all the great French bil-liard experts, he is a big man. Strange to say, the two greatest French players of modern days and the two greatest Amer-ica ever produced, offer a peculiar physical contrast. contrast.
"Schaefer and Ives were the two best
billiand clavers ever produced on this side
of the water, while Vignaux and Cure are
pre-eminently the best in France.
"The American pair are small men,
neither weighing more than 150 pounds,
while the Frenchmen are both in the
beavy-weight class."
"Who do you consider the greatest amateur player in the world?" asked Frank
Bensen.

LIKES MARTIN MULLIN. "Well, that is a hard question to answer, but for me, I believe that Martin Mullin is, or at least, when he was playing was, the greatest of all. Mullin is a stylish player, but he is a man of such wast business interests that he cannot devote any time to tournaments. Still, he

Australians Pick Up in Their Playing-Miss Reid, Daughter of American Ambassador, Surprises London With Her Fourin-Hand Driving.

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The Australian cricket team picked up in its play somewhat last week and gave to Surrey, a strong county, a tremendous licking in an uphill contest. After three days play Surrey had forty-one runs to make and eight men to do it. So fast and hard were the fielding and bowling of the Australians that Surrey could not get the runs. Three men were run out. This shows how fast the Australian fielding was. M. A. Noble did great work for Australia, taking six wickets for thirty-gix runs and making six runs off his own bat in the first inning.

Lancashire, England, leads in county cricket. If she wins her match against torkshire next week she will have a comfortable lead for the championship, which she also won last year. Torkshire is almost a certain second, if not a probable winner. VRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY EEPUBLIC.

A. H. Hornby, son of the famous Har-ow and All England player, A. N. Horn-y, is now one of Lancashire's strongest and best bats and fielders. His father a famous cricketer twenty years ago. son is following in his footsteps.

A. Gannon, a Surrey cricketer, is the best university scorer of the year, though he wears glasses. He is a Cambridge boy and has made 2,000 runs this year—almost as many as C. B. Fry.

In team matches prior to playing the Irish gold championship at Dollymount. Engiand beat both Ireland and Scotland. The matches do not prove much. Two of the English and Scotch players who took part in them are well known. The Irish beat Scotland hadly. Each country played two teams of ten men each. England beat Ireland 21 to 15-a good match. Ireland beat Scotland 25 to 5. C. R. Girdlestone of the Royal Wimbleden, led the qualifying round with 156-good work at Dollymount, which is outside of Dublin.

In the play for the Calcutta Cup at St. Andrews, Scotland, father and son. James Mellor and J. G. Mellor, both won their first matches. John Lew, who captained the rolf team which came to America in 1903, was besten by R. Graham King 5 up and 4 to play. H G. R. Herbert, a famous golfer, best A. Ferrier King 1 up.

rier King I up.

Willie Park, champion goifer of 1887 and 1888, made a wenderful record at his home course. Huntercombe, last week. He did the difficult links in 70, playing against Baron Erianger of Germany.

Play at Montrose links Scotland, for the Dundee Telegraph cup, brought out a great field. The cup was won by the holder, A. H. Scroggle, who beat J. H. Cunningham in the final. In the semi-final Dick Simpson, a brother of Bob Simpson, a former professional of St. Louis, lost to Cunningham I up.

### "HENRY CLAY OF LOUISVILLE" MAY BE CARDINAL NEXT YEAR

Manager Robison Dickering for Most Promising Player of the American Association — Is a Graduate of the Tristate League-Leads League in Bat- ting With Average of Nearly

WRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC.

With Manager McAlest and Vice President-Manager Robison scouting through the haseball country and every magnate and manager of a club of any importance in the country looking for next year's talent, these are anxious and interesting days in baseball.

Not in many years have the major longue clube shown such a disposition to grab all the available youngsters in sight for the spring try-out. Every minor league player who has achieved any note during the season has been purchased by the big leaguers and ordered to report at the training camps in the spring or at the close of the season. It means one thing sire, and that is the end of the veterans now in harness. Several first-class youngsters have been developed during the season in the big leagues, and several yet in the minors give promise of being stars. Experienced bareball men are inclined to take the lads and acclimate them to the big league speed with the prospect of having them ready in a year or two.

The American Association, generally considered the farm and recruiting ground of the American League, does not posses the number of high-class youngsters which it showed a year ago. All told, there are not ten players in the league who are really ready for the major league. There are players whom careful judges consider just as good as many players in the hig leagues, but they have been up there before and are seriously handicapped in getting back.

After a careful study of the players who may make good in big league company: Fielders: Charite Hemphill, St. Paul; Pickering, Columbus: O'Nelli, Milwaukee; Cassaday and Clarke, Toledo; Coulter, Minneapolis, and Thoney, Indianapolis, First base: Freeman, Minneapolis, Second base: Brashear, Louisville; Marcan, St. Paul; Outslan,

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First base: Freeman, Minneapolls,
Second base: Brashear, Louisville; Marcan, St. Paul;
Bhortstop: O'Brien, St. Paul; Quinlan,
Louisville,
Third base: Moriarity, Toledo; Clark,
Milwaukee,
Prichary: Fring, Toledo; Dougherty,

Third base: Moriarity, Toledo; Clark, Milwaukee. Pitchers: Frina, Toledo; Dougherty, Goodwin and Hickey, Milwaukee; Stovall, Minneapolis: Frants and Isbell. Kansas City: Dorner and Berger, Columbus, and Ferguson and Kerna, Louisville, and Morgan, Indianapolis.

Catchers: Marshall and Schmidt, Minneapolis: Brown, Columbus, and Noonaa, St. Paul.

Of course only a few of those enumerated would do for fast league company, as a big number of them are sent back to the minors each year. Of those who are ready for big-league company at once are: Dorney, Morgan, Frants and Feine, pitchers; Brown and Marshall, catchers: Preeman, first base: Brashear, second base: O'Brien, shortstop: Moriarity, third base: Pickering, Clay, C. Hemphill, Jones and O'Nell, fielders.

CLAY A PROMISING PLAYER.

Frederick Clay the Colonels' hard-hit-ting fielder, a Tri-State League recruit, probably is the most promising one of the lot. From an obscure position in the out-laws to the top of the batting list of the American Association in half a season is the surprising record of young Clay called "Henry" by the fans. Clay is hitting close to the 600 mark and those who have watched his work say he is another Stone. He bats left-handed and has Stone's crouching position.

CLAY A PROMISING PLAYER.

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Tebeau's batting find, whom the man-ager of the Cardinals is trying to get from Louisville. Clay came from the outlaws, bats about .400 and is far up in his felding.

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has been uncovered since Wagner. Lajoie and Keeler held the boards.

Tebeau, who has developed some great players in his day, says that Clay is the most remarkable youngster he ever saw.

The fact that the Cardinals are dichering for Clay makes the item interesting, as the Mesers. Robison and Tebeau have dealt in players for years. Clay is 2 years old. He began his baseball career in Baltimore. By trade he is an fron molder. He is a German by birth and the mother tongue still clings to his accent. At present he weighs 15 pounds. He is very quick of eye and fast of foot.

He played professional ball in the Urginia State League as a catcher, playing against Mathewson. In 1902 Clay had a try-out with Philadelphia, and despite the fact that he got four hits in two games, was sent back to the minors on account of his "greenness." He then joined the outlaws and was there when Tebeau called him West.

In a double-header with St. Paul last Some wonderful tennis was played at Enleston last week, when A. W. Brookes, the Australian, met H. M. Smith, former champlon of England, in gentlemen's singles. The first set required twenty-clapt games to play before Smith won it. The second and third sets took ten games. The first set oke ten games of tennis. Hillyard and Brookes, the Australians, won the doubles at this tournament. Smith was one of the Englishment who kept the Davis Cup from lishmen who kept the Davis Cup from coming to America. He best Wright easily in the singles.

Bouble plays—Cincinnati SS, Pittsburg 76, Pittsburg 76, Procklyn 73, Boston 64, Chicage 64, New York Sf. St. Louis 54, Triple plays—Boston 1, Cincinnati 1, New York 1, Pittsburg 1, St. Louis 1.

PITCHING RECORDS.

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## SEYMOUR LEADS IN BATTING; SMOOT BEST OF CARDINALS

Center Fielder of Robison's Team Only Player Hitting Ball Above the .300 Clip-Grady and Smoot Tied for Second Honors of the Club-McGann Best First Baseman and Brain Leading Third Sacker-Averages of Players in National League.

Homer Smoot is the only Cardinal player who is batting above the 300 mark lie has not been hitting the ball at a hard clip during the last fortnight, but nas managed to get in enough bingles to keep his average above the much-coveted point. Shannon and Mike Grady are next in line for batting honors, being tied with an average of Sil.

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Cy Seymour of the Cinchmatt Rede leads the National League in stick work with an average of Sil. Hans Wagner is next find line with Sil. Sammy Strang of New York has fallen off, and Wiltse has broken into the charmed column.

McGraw's team still has a cinch in team atting and extra bases.

Sparke and Robertaille are the star fichers in fielding while Bowerman is the leading catcher. McGann is the first of the initial eachers Raymer of the second basesmen and Brain of the third basemen. Tables leads at short and Leach and McCarthy in the field.

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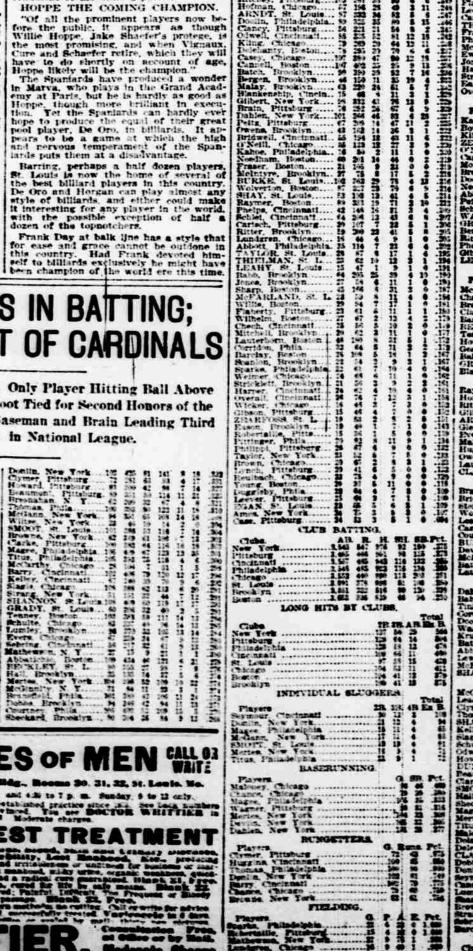
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STARVES WHILE SEEKING WIFE

Woman Eloped, Taking His Sav ings, Says Penniless Man.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL REPUBLIC SPECIAL

New Tork, Aug. IR.—Joseph Laone was arrested in Battery Park. He was so weak and III that he had to be carried to the patrol wagon. He had been walking about the park with a seds water bottle filled with water in his hands and muttering to himself, and had fallen in a faint.

Then he mid he had been living in the park for two weeks, during which time he had been a Wilhashurro winer and that he had been a Wilhashurro winer and that he had so with he had cloped; "ing all his savings. Penniless, he walkling here York after the fugatives.